

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether the House may elect without the G. O.? Will such an election be valid?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): There is no question of validity or invalidity as the House is not called upon to exercise any statutory function.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Does the Law Member attach any importance to this G. O. which says that after one Council is dissolved the Finance Committee ceases to exist?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): It has significance.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether a fresh G. O. has been issued?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Due intimation will be given to the members before they are called upon to elect members to the Finance Committee.

PRESIDENT: I can reassure you on the point, Mr. Nilakanta Pillai. The G. O. was issued either last evening or this morning! You will probably find it in the Press Room of the Secretariat.

STATEMENT Laid ON THE TABLE.

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Sir, under Rule 52 of the Legislative Council Rules, I beg to lay on the table the following statement of expenditure authorised by the Government under section 16 (9) of the Legislative Council Regulation, II of 1097.

Item.	Amount.	Particulars.
Demand XVI. Medical Department.	3,687	For payment of a non-recurring grant to the London Mission Hospital at Marthandom for extending the premises of the Hospital and constructing additional blocks.
Demand XVII. Chemical Examiner Ayurveda and Sanitation.	11,758	For expenses in connection with plague preventive measures in the Devicokan Division.
Demand XIX. Scientific and Miscellaneous Departments.	4,500	For purchase of animals for the Zoo.